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Date of Interview: 02 December 2008.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal (copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1, 2, 6 and 12.

Identification of prior art discussed: Hayama et al. (US 7,006,484).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant discussed proposed amendments to the claims (first option (1) of the agenda faxed to the Examiner). The Examiner agreed that amendments made to the independent claims with regards to the channels (as disclosed on page 11 of the specification) and/or the threshold value for layering for the layering method (as disclosed on page 22 of the specification) will overcome the Hayama reference. However, a further search and consideration is required.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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